# INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH INJURY PREVENTION ADVISORY COUNCIL – December 1, 2005

#### Agenda:

- 1. Review of Minutes from June 9, 2005 meeting
- 2. Information from ISDH Injury Prevention Program
  - a. CDC Grant Close-Out Report
  - b. January grant application approved but not funded
  - c. Program activity no epidemiologist at this time
  - d. CD-ROMs Injuries in Indiana and Resource Directory
- 3. Suicide Prevention Coalition
- 4. Trauma System Development
- 5. Reports and Announcements from Council Members

### **Minutes:**

Present: Barbara Cole, Jim Mowry (Indiana Poison Center), Jodi Hackworth (Partnership to Prevent Violent Injury and Death), Spencer Grover (Indiana Hospital&Health Association), Judith Ganser and Charlene Graves (ISDH). Minutes from the June 9, 2005 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

## Information from the ISDH Injury Prevention Program

- CD-ROMs of the Injuries in Indiana Report (produced by Sandra Beck), and the Indiana Violence and Injury Prevention Resource Directory (produced by Matthew Smith) have been completed. Both documents are also available through the ISDH Injury Prevention Program website.
- Copies of the CDC Injury Grant Close-Out Report were distributed to those present. Unfortunately, the 5-year CDC grant application for continued funding was approved but not funded by CDC. ISDH Maternal and Child Health (MCH) has indicated willingness to fund the injury epidemiologist position. In addition, Donna Moore's VIP (Violence Intervention is Prevention) presentations on domestic violeence at MCH workshops around the state were well received, and MCH may be able to provide some additional support for her services if more workshops are desired.
- The State Child Fatality Review Team has been meeting since October 2004, under the leadership of Dr. Antoinette Laskey. Extensive review of selected child abuse and neglect cases led to a report on 2004 Deaths with Alleged Prior CPS Contact. This report provides ten recommendations for improvement; the report received the attention of the media as well as numerous interested parties.
- Jon Lewis of ISDH is attending the CODES project meetings since Sandra Beck's departure from ISDH in September.
- ISDH provided weekly news releases in June, as part of National Safety Month.
   This information focused on fireworks safety, drowning prevention, lawnmower safety, and food preparation and storage safety issues.

#### Indiana Suicide Prevention Coalition

The 2005 Youth Risk Behavior Survey of Indiana high school students documents increased rates of suicidal ideology and suicide attempts as compared to the 2003 data. The state Coalition will be examining this issue in more depth. The Coalition website is <a href="https://www.indianasuicidepreventioncoalition.org">www.indianasuicidepreventioncoalition.org</a> where the state plan for suicide prevention can be accessed.

# Trauma System Development

Dr. Graves presented an overview of this issue, noting that Indiana has 7 hospitals which have accomplished verification by the American College of Surgeons as Level I or Level II trauma centers. ISDH has a HRSA Trauma System grant for 2005-2008 of \$40,000 per year. A major priority is to establish a lead state agency for trauma system development, which would be ISDH. Senators Tom Wyss and John Broden are involved with the ISDH Advisory Task Force on Trauma System/Emergency Preparedness and are willing to introduce legislation to designate ISDH as the lead state agency. Another priority is the development of a state trauma registry. Based on a DVD developed by the American Trauma Society which describes what trauma centers accomplish, St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville is creating a DVD for Indiana. This DVD should be most useful in educating policy makers and the public about trauma centers, as many now believe that every hospital emergency department is a trauma center.

## **Announcements from Council Members**

- Jodi Hackworth reported on faith-based initiatives of the Partnership to Prevent Violent Injuries and Death, as well as presentations on same at APHA. Dr. Ganser recommended contacting Paula Parker-Sawyer, director of faith-based initiatives for Indiana, to explore more funding, if needed.
- Dr. Ganser noted the success of Donna Moore's presentations at MCH workshops as an example of collaboration between MCH and the Injury Prevention Program.
- Barbara Cole announced that the Indiana Poison Center Report for 2004 is now available on the Clarian Health website. A poster contest for Poison Prevention Week will be held in 2006, as in previous years. The instructor training program has been successful, producing 500 trained instructors in 32 counties.
- Jim Mowry noted that federal funding for Poison Centers remains level this year. The Institute of Medicine recommended \$100 million funding for Poison Control Center support.
- Spencer Grover received an inquiry from a state legislator about fireworks injury reporting. This reporting was only in effect for 2003 and 2004, per the previous state law, which "sunsetted" the reporting after those two years.
- Karen Stroup's written report of Riley Hospital Community Education and Advocacy activities was reviewed by Council members.

2006 Meeting Dates (quarterly, first Thursday of the month, at 10:00 AM) – March 2, June 1, September 7, December 7